

Power Lines

FEBRUARY 2021

Spring meat drawing is April 1

On April 1, PRECorp Members who are signed up for Operation RoundUp® will be entered in a special drawing for 25 pounds of locally-grown beef and pork.

This is part of the ongoing recognition of cooperative members who round up their monthly power bill to the nearest dollar each month. These members combine to give thousands of dollars each year to the PRECorp Foundation.

The Foundation frequently leverages those dollars and cents for matching donations to local charitable organizations that help families in need, veterans, senior citizens, education and arts programs. In 2020, the Foundation donated more than \$230,000 to charities that were impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Sign up by March 31 to enter the drawing. Call PRECorp Member Service at 1-800-442-3630 for more information.

Events calendar

The list of 2021 PRECorp events includes Board meeting dates and telephone town hall meetings with CEO Mike Easley. Other events, such as the Annual Meeting and Foundation fundraisers are subject to change under the existing COVID-19 pandemic restrictions.

PRECorp Board meetings are held in Sundance until social distancing requirements are relaxed.

- Tuesday, February 16 PRECorp Board of Directors meeting, 9:30 a.m., Sundance
- Monday, February 22 PRECorp
 Foundation Board meeting, teleconference
- Wednesday, February 24 PRECorp telephone town hall with CEO Mike Easley, 6:30 p.m. Members will be called to start the meeting or dial the toll-free number at 888-886-6602.
- Tuesday, March 16 PRECorp Board of Directors meeting, 9:30 a.m., Sundance



Drive safely; Be cautious at accident scenes



At PRECorp, our primary concern is for the well-being of equipment operators, drivers, and passengers, whose lives and health are threatened in an accident.

Drivers who are distracted, inexperienced, careless, impaired, or overconfident on slick roads run the risk of colliding with another vehicle, or careening into a ditch.

Accidents may require emergency responders and PRECorp crews to clear the scene, replace the broken poles, and restore power to the scores of members whose homes and businesses are darkened by the accidents.

Below are some life-saving facts to know if you are involved in or discover an accident.

Be safe

While no driver can pick the place their automobile accident will happen, there are measures to keep in mind when driving on hazardous roads:

Use your seat belt every

- time you get into your vehicle.
- Stay focused. Do not use your phone or dashboard controls if they pull your eyes or attention off the road.
- Do not use cruise control when driving on any slippery surface (wet, ice, sand, gravel).
- If your vehicle starts to slide, always look and steer where you want to go.
- Leave time and distance to slow down. It takes longer to slow down on icy roads.
- Double the following distance behind the cars in front of you. This increased margin of safety will provide the longer distance needed if you have to stop.
- Slow down and get over when passing emergency response vehicles parked on the shoulder. This includes utility vehicles such as PRECorp trucks.
- Accelerate and decelerate slowly. Applying the gas slowly helps regain traction and avoids spin outs.
- Know your brakes. Whether you have antilock brakes or not, the best way to stop is to keep the heel of your foot on the floor and use the ball of your foot to apply firm, steady pressure on the brake pedal.

Know the hazards at an accident scene:

If you come in contact

- with a power pole, line, or ground-level transformer, or come upon an accident of this nature, be very careful. Call 911 immediately.
- STAY IN YOUR VEHICLE!
 Unless the vehicle is on fire, do not get out of your vehicle if a power line is near it.
- Do not touch or attempt to move a downed line.
- Stay back from the scene.
 Stepping in the direction of a downed power line exposes you to the risk of deadly voltages.
- Use caution. Fight the urge to escape or rush in until you have surveyed the area for potential hazards.



Holiday office closing:

The PRECorp offices will be closed for the Presidents Day Holiday Monday, February 15 for the All-Employee Meeting.



Call 1-888-391-6220 to report an outage.